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In re:

LTL MANAGEMENT LLC,<sup>1</sup>

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No.: 23-12825 (MBK)

Judge: Michael B. Kaplan

# ORDER (I) ESTABLISHING BAR DATES AND RELATED PROCEDURES FOR FILING PROOFS OF CLAIM OTHER THAN WITH RESPECT TO DIRECT TALC PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS AND (II) APPROVING FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE THEREOF

The relief set forth on the following pages is hereby **ORDERED**.

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The last four digits of the Debtor's taxpayer identification number are 6622. The Debtor's address is 501 George Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08933.

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This matter coming before the Court on the Debtor's Motion for an Order (I) Establishing Bar Dates and Related Procedures for Filing Proofs of Claim Other Than With Respect to Direct Talc Personal Injury Claims and (II) Approving Form and Manner of Notice Thereof (the "Motion"), filed by the debtor in the above-captioned case (the "Debtor"), pursuant to sections 105, 501, and 503 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 3003(c), and Local Bankruptcy Rule 3003-1; the Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements of counsel with respect to the Motion at a hearing before the Court (the "Hearing"); the Court finding that (i) the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Standing Order of Reference, (ii) venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409, (iii) this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b), (iv) notice of the Motion and the Hearing was sufficient under the circumstances and no further notice is necessary and (v) the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtor, its estate and its creditors; and after due deliberation, the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein;

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is **GRANTED**.
- 2. As used herein, (a) the term "claim" has the meaning given to it in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code, (b) the term "entity" has the meaning given to it in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings given to them in the Motion.

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section 101(15) of the Bankruptcy Code, (c) the term "governmental unit" has the meaning given to it in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code, and (d) the term "affiliate" has the meaning given to it in section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 3. As used herein, the term "Direct Talc Personal Injury Claim" means any Talc Personal Injury Claim other than an Indirect Talc Personal Injury Claim. The Debtor has reserved the right to seek a bar date for Direct Talc Personal Injury Claims in the future if necessary or appropriate.
- 4. As used herein, the term "Indirect Talc Personal Injury Claim" means (a) a Talc Personal Injury Claim for contribution, reimbursement, subrogation, or indemnity (as those terms are defined by applicable non-bankruptcy law of the relevant jurisdiction), whether contractual or implied by law, and any other derivative Talc Personal Injury Claim, whether in the nature of or sounding in contract, tort, warranty, or other theory of law, including a Talc Personal Injury Claim of Imerys/Cyprus Party for contribution, reimbursement, subrogation, or indemnity under any Imerys/Cyprus Agreement or otherwise, or (b) a Governmental Action Claim. For the avoidance of doubt, an Indirect Talc Personal Injury Claim shall not include (i) any claim for or otherwise relating to death, injury, or damages caused by talc or a product or material containing talc that is asserted by or on behalf of any injured individual, the estate, legal counsel, relative, assignee, or other representative of any injured individual, or an individual who claims injury or damages as a result of the injury or death of another individual caused by talc or a product or material containing talc regardless of whether such claim is seeking compensatory,

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special, economic, noneconomic, punitive, exemplary, administrative, or any other costs or damages, or any legal, equitable or other relief whatsoever, including pursuant to a settlement, judgment, or verdict or (ii) any claim against any Imerys/Cyprus Party based on, arising out of, or in any way relating to the Imerys/Cyprus Related Rights. By way of illustration and not limitation of claims contemplated by the foregoing clause (i), an Indirect Talc Personal Injury Claim shall not include any claim for loss of consortium, loss of companionship, services and society, or wrongful death. Capitalized terms used in this paragraph but not otherwise defined have the meanings given to them in the *Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization of LTL Management LLC* [Dkt. 525] (the "Plan"). A copy of the Plan may be obtained free of charge at Epiq's website for this chapter 11 case at https://dm.epiq11.com/LTL, or for a fee on the Court's website, http://ecf.njb.uscourts.gov.

- 5. As used herein, the term "General Claim" means any Claim that arose, or is deemed to have arisen prior to April 4, 2023, other than a Direct Talc Personal Injury Claim.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided in this Order, all entities (including, without limitation, individuals, partnerships, corporations, trusts, and governmental units) that wish to assert a claim against the Debtor that arose or is deemed to have arisen prior to the Petition Date, but *excluding* any Direct Talc Personal Injury Claims, must file a proof of claim in accordance with the procedures described herein so that such proof of claim is *actually received* by the Debtor's claims and noticing agent Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("Epiq") on or before

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5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, on October 2, 2023 (the "General Bar Date").

The General Bar Date shall be identified in the Bar Date Notice and the Publication Notice.

- 7. The forms of the Bar Date Notice, the Proof of Claim Form, and the Publication Notice attached to the Motion as Exhibit A, Exhibit B, and Exhibit C, respectively, and the manner of providing notice of the bar dates established by this Order (collectively, the "Bar Dates"), are approved in all respects pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002(a)(7) and 2002(l). The form and manner of notice of the Bar Dates approved herein (a) are reasonable and adequate and (b) fulfill the notice and other due process requirements of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Bankruptcy Rules, and applicable law. As such, the Debtor is authorized to serve the Bar Date Notice Package and publish the Publication Notice in the manner described herein.
- 8. As soon as practicable, but in any event no later than five business days after the entry of this Bar Date Order, the Debtor, through Epiq, shall provide actual notice of the Bar Dates by mailing the Bar Date Notice and the Proof of Claim Form (together, the "Bar Date Notice Package") by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to all known potential holders of General Claims, including: (a) all holders of claims listed on the Schedules, excluding holders of Direct Talc Personal Injury Claims; (b) all counterparties to executory contracts and unexpired leases listed in the Schedules; (c) the Internal Revenue Service; (d) the Securities and Exchange Commission; (e) the taxing and other regulatory entities for the jurisdictions in which the Debtor owns property; (f) the Office of the United States Attorney for the District of New

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Jersey and the attorneys general for each of the United States and certain territories and commonwealths thereof and the District of Columbia; (g) all entities that have requested notices pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 in the Chapter 11 Case as of the date of entry of this Bar Date Order; (h) the Debtor's equity holder; (i) all other entities listed on the Debtor's matrix of creditors, except holders of Direct Talc Personal Injury Claims; and (j) counsel to any of the foregoing, if known. The Debtor also will mail the Bar Date Notice Package to the U.S. Trustee, the members of the Talc Committee, the Future Claimants' Representative, and the respective counsel to the foregoing, as well as counsel to the Ad Hoc Committee and counsel to the Ad Hoc Committee of Supporting Counsel. The Bar Date Notice Package will not be served on holders of Direct Talc Personal Injury Claims or their counsel.

- 9. In the event that: (a) one or more Bar Date Notice Packages are returned by the post office, necessitating a mailing to a new address; (b) certain parties acting on behalf of parties in interest decline to forward the Bar Date Notice Packages to such parties in interest and instead return their names and addresses to Epiq for direct mailing; or (c) additional potential holders of General Claims become known to the Debtor, the Debtor may make supplemental mailings of the Bar Date Notice Package up to and including the date that is 14 days in advance of the applicable Bar Date, with any such supplemental mailings being deemed timely.
- 10. As part of the Bar Date Package, the Debtor, through Epiq, shall mail a Proof of Claim Form to the parties receiving the Bar Date Notice. For holders of potential General Claims listed in the Schedules, the Proof of Claim Form mailed to such entities shall

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state, along with the claimant's name, whether the Debtor has scheduled the creditor's General Claim in the Schedules and, if so, whether the claimant's General Claim is listed as:

- (a) disputed, contingent, or unliquidated; and (b) secured, unsecured, or priority. If a General Claim is listed in the Schedules, the dollar amount of the claim (as listed in the Schedules) also will be identified on the Proof of Claim Form. In the event of any conflict between the claim information included in the Proof of Claim Form and the information provided in the Schedules, the Schedules shall control.
- 11. Except as otherwise provided herein, the following entities, including governmental units, must file a proof of claim in the Chapter 11 Case on or before the General Bar Date:
  - (a) any entity (i) whose prepetition General Claim against the Debtor is not listed in the Debtor's Schedules or is listed as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated and (ii) that desires to participate in the Chapter 11 Case or share in any distribution in the Chapter 11 Case; and
  - (b) any entity that (i) believes that its prepetition General Claim is improperly classified in the Schedules or is listed in an incorrect amount and (ii) desires to have its prepetition General Claim allowed in a classification or amount different from the classification or amount identified in the Schedules.
- 12. The following entities shall not be required to file proofs of claim in the Chapter 11 Case on or before the General Bar Date:
  - (a) any entity (including any person or estate) holding or asserting a Direct Talc Personal Injury Claim;

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- (b) any entity (i) whose General Claim against the Debtor is not listed as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated in the Schedules and (ii) that agrees with the nature, classification, and amount of its General Claim as identified in the Schedules;
- (c) any entity whose claim against the Debtor previously has been allowed by, or paid pursuant to, an order of the Court;
- (d) any entity holding or asserting a claim allowable under Bankruptcy Code sections 503(b) and 507(a)(2) as an administrative expense of the Chapter 11 Case; and
- (e) any of the Debtor's non-debtor affiliates (as affiliate is defined in section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code) who may have a claim against the Debtor.
- 13. All administrative claims under section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, must be made by separate requests for payment in accordance with section 503(a) of the Bankruptcy Code (or as otherwise provided in a plan of reorganization confirmed in the Chapter 11 Case) and shall not be deemed proper if made by proof of claim.
- 14. Any entity asserting claims arising from or relating to the Debtor's rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease pursuant to an order of this Court that is entered prior to confirmation of a plan of reorganization in the Chapter 11 Case is required to file a proof of claim, as provided herein, so that it is received by Epiq on or before the later of:

  (a) the General Bar Date; and (b) 5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, on the date that is 30 days after the effective date of rejection of such executory contract or unexpired lease (the "Rejection Bar Date").
- 15. The Debtor retains the right to (a) dispute, or assert offsets or defenses against, any filed claim or any claim listed or reflected in the Schedules as to nature, amount,

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priority, liability, classification, or otherwise; (b) subsequently designate any claim as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated; and (c) otherwise amend, modify, or supplement the Schedules. Except as otherwise provided in a plan of reorganization confirmed in the Chapter 11 Case, if the Debtor amends or modifies the Schedules to reduce the undisputed, noncontingent, and liquidated amount or to change the nature or classification of any General Claim against the Debtor, the affected claimant may file a timely proof of claim or amend any previously filed proof of claim in respect of the amended scheduled claim on or before the later of (a) the General Bar Date or (b) 30 days after the date that notice of the applicable amendment to the Schedules is served on the affected claimant (the "Amended Schedule Bar Date"). By contrast, if (a) the amendment to the Schedules improves the amount or treatment of a previously scheduled or filed General Claim and (b) the affected claimant previously was served with a notice of the Bar Dates, the affected claimant may not file additional claims or amend a related previously filed proof of claim by the Amended Schedule Bar Date. If the Debtor amends or modifies its Schedules with respect to any claim that the Debtor states has been satisfied, such paid creditor shall not be required to file a proof of claim with respect to the satisfied claim. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained herein precludes the Debtor from objecting to any claim, whether scheduled or filed, on any grounds.

16. Entities holding a direct or indirect ownership interest in the Debtor need not file a proof of interest on or before the General Bar Date.

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17. Pursuant to sections 105(a) and 502(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 3003(c)(2), any entity that is required to file a proof of claim in the Chapter 11 Case pursuant to the Bar Date Order with respect to a particular claim against the Debtor but that fails to do so by the applicable Bar Date will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from:

(a) asserting any such claim against the Debtor or its estate or property that is in an amount that exceeds the amount, if any, that is identified in the Schedules on behalf of such entity as undisputed, noncontingent, and liquidated (any such claim, an "Unscheduled Claim"); or

(b) voting on, or receiving distributions under, any chapter 11 plan in the Chapter 11 Case in respect of an Unscheduled Claim.

18. For any proof of claim to be validly and properly filed, a claimant must deliver a completed, signed original of the Proof of Claim Form (or an Official Form No. 410), together with any accompanying documentation required by Bankruptcy Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d), to Epiq at (a) LTL Management LLC Claims Processing Center, c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC, 10300 SW Allen Boulevard, Beaverton, Oregon 97005 if by hand delivery or courier service or (b) LTL Management LLC Claims Processing Center, c/o Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC, P.O. Box 4421, Beaverton, Oregon 97076-4421 if by mail, so as to be received no later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, on the applicable Bar Date.

Alternatively, entities may file proofs of claim and the required accompanying documentation

For the avoidance of doubt, to the extent that a claim is not listed in the Debtor's Schedules, the value of such claim will be treated as \$0.00.

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electronically using the interface available on Epiq's website at https://dm.epiq11.com/LTL under "Case Actions" and by clicking on "File a Claim" by 5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, on the applicable Bar Date. *Proofs of claim submitted by facsimile or e-mail shall not be accepted.* Proofs of claim shall be deemed filed when actually received by Epiq.

- denominated in lawful currency of the United States, based upon the exchange rate in effect as of 7:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the Petition Date; (c) conform substantially with the Proof of Claim Form; (d) set forth with specificity the legal and factual bases for the alleged claim; (e) include supporting documentation (or, if such documentation is voluminous, a summary of such documentation), including a copy of any written document that forms the basis of the General Claim or evidences that an alleged security interest has been perfected, or an explanation as to why such documentation is not available; and (f) be signed by the claimant or, if the claimant is not an individual, by an authorized agent of the claimant.
- 20. If a creditor wishes to receive acknowledgement of Epiq's receipt of a proof of claim, the creditor also must submit to Epiq by the applicable Bar Date and concurrently with its original proof of claim (a) a copy of the original proof of claim and (b) a self-addressed, stamped return envelope. Claimants who submit proofs of claim through Epiq's website interface will receive an email confirmation of such submission.
- 21. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002(1), the Debtor shall cause notice of the Bar Dates in substantially the form of the Publication Notice to be published once within

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ten business days of the entry of the Bar Date Order, or as soon as practicable thereafter, in each of the Publications. Publication of such notice in the Publications in accordance herewith is hereby approved and shall be deemed good, adequate, and sufficient publication notice of the Bar Dates.

- 22. The requirement set forth in D.N.J. LBR 9013-1(a)(3) that any motion be accompanied by a memorandum of law is hereby deemed satisfied by the contents of the Motion or otherwise waived.
- 23. The Debtor and Epiq are authorized and empowered to take such steps and perform such actions as may be necessary to implement and effectuate the terms of this Order.
- 24. The entry of this Order is without prejudice to the right of the Debtor to seek a further order of this Court fixing a date by which holders of claims or interests not subject to the Bar Dates established herein (including holders of Direct Talc Personal Injury Claims) must file proofs of claim or interest.
- 25. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over all matters arising out of or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.